HB 1168 -- LEAD-ACID BATTERY FEE

SPONSOR: Korman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill extends from December 31, 2018, to December 31, 2023, the \$.50 fee that is collected on the retail sale of a lead-acid battery as well as the fees for any hazardous waste generated.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the fee was established in 2005 to allow citizens to help fund the Hazardous Waste Program.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Korman; and Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say few other states have a fee like the lead-acid battery fee.

Testifying on the bill was Missouri Retailer Association and Associated Industries Of Missouri.